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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 5, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

This above-identified application became abandoned for failure to timely file a response to a non-final Office Action which was mailed on February 18, 2003. The non-final Office Action set a three (3) month shortened statutory period for reply. No extensions of time were obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.136(a). Accordingly, this application became abandoned on May 19, 2003. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on September 12, 2003.

It is not apparent whether the person signing the statement of unintentional delay was in a position to have firsthand or direct knowledge of the facts and circumstances of the delay at issue. Nevertheless, such statement is being treated as having been made as the result of a reasonable inquiry into the facts and circumstances of such delay. See 37 CFR §10.18(b). In the event that such an inquiry has not been made, petitioner must make such an inquiry. If such inquiry results in the discovery that it is not correct that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR §1.137(b) was unintentional, petitioner must notify the Office.

The requirements for a grantable petition under 37 CFR §1.137(b) have been met. This petition is hereby Granted.

The Office hereby acknowledges the receipt of the Amendment submitted with the instant petition.

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center 3600 for further processing.

Telephone inquiries concerning this matter should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 306-0251.

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